

WHEREAS, family and domestic violence continues to be prevalent as a social problem; and

WHEREAS, the problems of domestic violence are not confined to any group or groups of people, but cross all economic, racial, affectional preference, and societal barriers, and supported by societal indifference; and

WHEREAS, the crime of domestic violence violates an individual's privacy, dignity, security, and humanity, due to systematic use of physical, emotional, sexual, psychological and economic control and/or abuse; and

WHEREAS, the impact of domestic violence is wide ranging, directly affecting society as a whole; and

WHEREAS, it is battered victims and survivors themselves who have been in the forefront of efforts to bring peace and equity to the home.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Robert A. Cashell, Sr., Mayor of the City of Reno, Nevada, do hereby proclaim

THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2005 AS *DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH*

In and for the City of Reno, and encourage all citizens to actively participate in activities and programs that work toward the elimination of violence against all persons.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Reno, Nevada, to be affixed this twenty-eighth day of September 2005.

Robert A. Cashell, Sr., Mayor
City of Reno

ATTEST: Lynnette Jones, City Clerk
City of Reno